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FROM: State Council of Defense  
TO: All Local Councils of Defense

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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE  
HARRISBURG

PROCLAMATION

On March 19, 1941, I signed Act of the General Assembly No. 3, providing for the creation of a State Council of Defense upon the issuance of a proclamation in time of emergency or public need in the Nation or the State.

On April 17, 1941, I issued that proclamation and the Pennsylvania State Council of Defense was called into being.

On May 20, 1941, the President of the United States, by Executive Order, established the Office of Civilian Defense for the correlation of the instruments of civilian defense. On May 27, 1941, the President declared an unlimited national emergency.

On October 22, 1941, the President designated the period from November 11, 1941, to November 16, 1941, "As a time for all persons throughout the Nation to give thought to their duties and responsibilities in the defense of this country...."

The tremendous role which Pennsylvania has in the Nation's defense program is best indicated in the fact that on the date of the last report giving the number of local councils of defense in the United States the figure was 2,866. On that same date Pennsylvania had 500 of this total operating under the State Council of Defense. Pennsylvania has shown what she can do in the work of these councils by collecting a greater amount of aluminum than any other State in the Union, save one, and exceeding even that State in the poundage collected per dwelling.

En el informe final de la CEA se afirma lo siguiente:

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## ANSWER

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It now again becomes Pennsylvania's duty to assume the leadership in this week of patriotic and essential activity which is primarily intended to serve as an impetus to the people of the Nation in stimulating their awareness to the need of participation in the civilian defense program, to clarify the many ways in which they can participate, and better to inform the citizens as to the operation of local defense councils.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ARTHUR H. JAMES, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby designate the period commencing Armistice Day, Tuesday, November 11, 1941, and continuing through Sunday, November 16th, as Civilian Defense Week and call upon all local councils of defense, which have grown since the time of our last report to 522, and are still growing, to make studied plans that the objectives of the week may be intelligently and vigorously brought to the attention of all of our people, whose duty and desire it is to participate, and urge all Pennsylvanians to give thought and consideration to the part which they will play that our great Commonwealth may continue in its leadership in all things American and not only clearly face its responsibility of becoming America's Arsenal, but also continue as the bulwark and keystone of national defense.

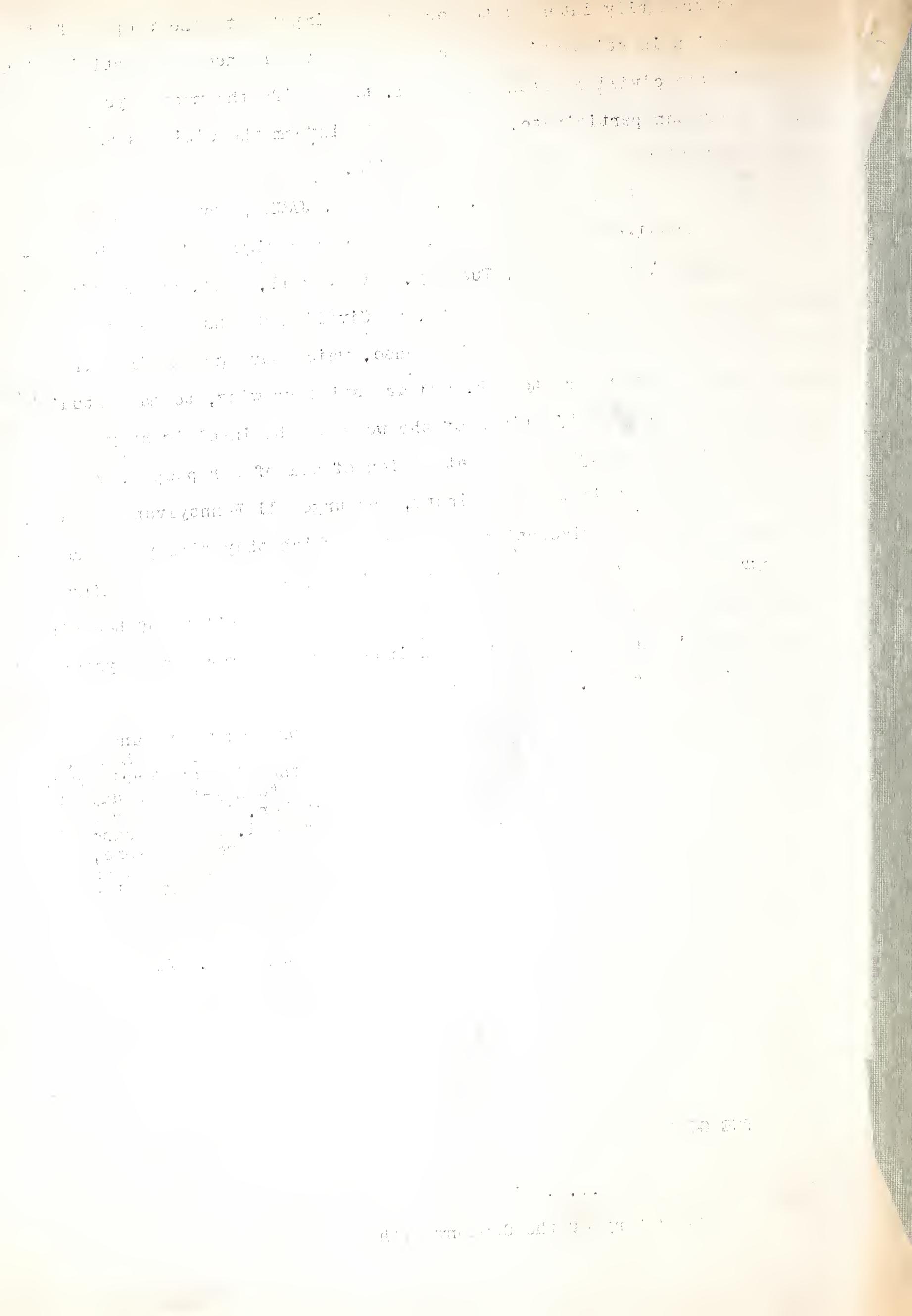
GIVEN under my hand and the Great Seal of the State, at the City of Harrisburg, this twenty-fourth day of October, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and forty-one, and of the Commonwealth the one hundred and sixty-sixth.

ARTHUR H. JAMES

BY THE GOVERNOR:

S.M.R. O'HARA

Secretary of the Commonwealth





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